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Dear Mr. Andre:

This letter is in response to your correspondence of October 1, 1997 requesting additional information about our Amended February Monthly (1/1/97-1/31/97), March Monthly (2/1/97-2/28/97) and April (3/1/97-3/31/97) Monthly reports.

The expenditures referenced in your letter and reported on Schedule E were all related to the activities of our independent expenditure campaign to oppose Jesse Helms in last year's Senate race. While they do not constitute "communications," they are related to the overall activities of this independent expenditure and we decided therefore, it was appropriate to report them on Schedule E.

We recognize that they could have been reported on line 21.b as Other Federal Operating Expenses. However, in our efforts to file as complete a report as possible on the activities of the independent expenditure we thought it preferable to list them on Schedule E.

Please feel free to contact Senior PAC Manager Susanne Salkind if you have additional questions or concerns)

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Birch

Treasurer

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